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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 July 24, 2003

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 24, 2003 (Paper No. 5), the following amendments and remarks herein are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

These amendments comply with the "Revised Amendment Format" set forth in the Official Gazette Notice dated February 25, 2003. accordance with the Notice, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(a)-(d) are waived.



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Respectfully submitted,
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